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20 March 2024—Squadron Meeting—ZOOM Meeting Logon Info will be sent by Email

22-24 March 2024 D/6 Spring Council & Conference,
The Seasons Hampton Inn, Keuka Lake

off the mark.com

by Mark Parisi



"Forever Young"
Happy 90th Birthday Jack
2/17/1934
From the SeaChest Staff
and the Susquenago Sail
and Power Squadron



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Commander's Comments

Well, here I am again! I was honored to be installed as your commander once again on 17 February. Thanks to District Administrative Officer Mike Acciai, AP for serving as our installing officer.

Congratulations to the Bridge and executive committee as they were also installed.

Thanks to all who attended and to Lt. Linda Rought, P for arranging the event. The food was delicious and the company enjoyable.

All in all it was a lovely evening until things went sour at the end of the night when the Commander's bell went missing! It seems that it was stolen!! Of course, I immediately called the NY State Police, the FBI, the CIA and USPS headquarters office! No reward has been offered yet, but all donations will be gratefully accepted should we decide to post a reward! I have my suspicions as to who the culprit is and they will be prosecuted and face severe punishment. The life sentence will be that they must attend all Susquenago meetings and events. Should the bell be returned, the life sentence will still stand!

In case you don't know, this has been a long standing prank on the commander 😊

My theme for this year is **"Home is Where the Anchor Drops"**. I have this on a coffee mug and it resonates to me every time I use it. What's the "anchor" of your life? An anchor doesn't necessarily mean the anchor that holds your boat. It could be the people in your life that hold you steady – your family, your friends.

Due to me being out of town, it was decided that our 20 March meeting will be via Zoom at 7:00 pm. An email with the link to the meeting will be sent prior to the meeting date. Linda Rought and I will be planning the April and May meeting locations and the Acciai's have graciously offered their lovely home/deck for our June Recognition Picnic.

I hope everyone is looking forward to the District 6 Conference which will be held 22-24 March in Penn Yan. Some Susquenago members are on the committee with Conference Chair, Bridgett Arieno, to make the conference a great time.

I am looking forward to working together with all of you and hoping to see some new faces in the future.

Always remember... **"Home is Where the Anchor Drops"**. *Commander Mary*



From Our District Commander

To: Susquenango Sail & Power Squadron

From: D/C Rick Hibbs, SN-IN

Open letter to the squadron:

Hello everyone!

I want to send my congratulations and best wishes to the new Bridge! I'm very proud to have worked with most of you, as well as enjoyed your company at district events. It has been a pleasure to have worked with your squadron, and I look forward to working with you all for the remainder of my term as District Commander. Finally, I offer my sincere appreciation for each of you stepping up and using your talents to help your squadron continue its exemplary performance. Thank you!

I want to recognize your entire squadron for its continued support of the District 6 activities, and for being one of the keys to any success the district has had during my term as commander. Bridgett and I have so enjoyed your squadron activities that we were able to attend, and regret being unable to join you for your Change of Watch. You have stepped up to help when asked and made the considerable work of conferences go smoothly. We could not ask for a more engaged squadron!

I am sure the new bridge will have a successful year leading your squadron. I look forward to reading about your activities in this very publication. I only hope my words don't find themselves on the comics page!!

My warmest regards,

D/C Rick

Susquenango Boat Safety Courses

Boat Handling

**April 8, 2024, May 20, 2024 (7 Monday nights) 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. Final Exam on last night
\$120.00 (USPS non-member), \$76.00 (USPS Member)**

This course is recommended for both power boaters and sailors who have completed the America's Boating Course, since it builds upon the basics taught in that course. Students learn practical marlinespike (a.k.a. knots), navigation rules, hull design and performance, responsibilities of the skipper, boat care, operating a boat under normal and abnormal conditions, what to do in various emergencies and weather conditions, nautical customs and common courtesy on the water.

Classes held at Johnson City High School, 666 Reynolds Rd., Johnson City, NY

**For more information and to register: www.susquenango.org
or call Les Smith at 607-797-7391**

Congratulations to Lt Susan Dunlap
25 years of Membership with
Susquenango Sail and Power Squadron



Congratulations to Susquenango P/C (1982)
Frank Penny, SN
Accepting his Governing Board Emeritus
award.
Frank is currently a member of the Tampa
Squadron



Susquenango Sail and Power Squadron Change of Watch 2024



Photos by
P/C Dave Olds AP









Did you know;

Before purchasing a sextant, the use of binoculars can be very useful to familiarize yourself with the stars used in celestial navigation. Here are some ways binoculars can help you:

1. Detailed observation: Binoculars allow you to observe stars, constellations and other celestial bodies in greater detail, making them easier to identify.
2. Locating Celestial Objects: Use binoculars to locate and familiarize yourself with bright stars, planets, and other celestial objects. This will make orientation easier when using the sextant.
3. Learning patterns: By observing the sky with binoculars, you will be able to identify star patterns and constellations, which will help you remember the location of certain stars during navigation with the sextant.
4. Observation Practice: Binoculars are an excellent tool for developing observation skills before moving on to precise angle measurement with a sextant.

Remember that celestial navigation requires practice and patience. Using binoculars gives you a more detailed introduction to the night sky and prepares you for later use of the sextant in determining position at sea.

Anselmo Miranda Mártir JN



How to avoid operator lookout errors

According to [recreational boating statistics](#), operator lookout errors are among the top contributing factors to injury or death on the water. When it comes to keeping a better lookout, you can improve your skills by learning to read the water before leaving the dock and while underway.

Know your water before you leave the dock. As a responsible pilot, you need to anticipate problems and carefully watch for dangers while underway. In addition to studying the chart for your route, you should make a broader analysis of the area, paying attention to the current, tide and wind. Make a list of dangers to watch out for. The pilot who looks for trouble may very well avoid it.

Learn to read the surface of the water. The water's surface provides a rich source of information for pilots. It lets us know the direction and speed of the current. A short chop can indicate the wind's direction and intensity and exposes floating items you should avoid. Odd-angled broad-V patterns on the surface warn of hidden underwater debris. For example, a solitary exposed reed provides the only indication a pilot gets that his boat is about to run aground on an uncharted Hudson River mudflat. No GPS or Internet connection can compare to a trained pilot's eye continuously interpreting the water's surface ahead. —Daniel Fannon

America's Boating Compass

March Recipes

Grasshopper Bars

BY: WOMAN'S DAY KITCHEN

PUBLISHED: FEB 12, 2018

RECIPE COURTESY OF DARA CRUISE



20 serving(s)

TOTAL TIME: 2 hrs 25 mins

INGREDIENTS

FILLING

1/2 c. milk

3 c. mini marshmallows

2 tbsp. unsalted butter, cut into small pieces

2 tbsp. plus 1 cup heavy cream

2 tsp. pure peppermint extract

1 tsp. pure vanilla extract

6 to 8 drops liquid green food coloring (optional)

CRUST

34 chocolate wafer cookies (we used Nabisco Famous Wafers)

6 tbsp. unsalted butter, melted

TOPPING

3/4 c. heavy cream

6 oz. bittersweet chocolate, finely chopped

DIRECTIONS

STEP 1

In a medium saucepan, heat milk on medium until hot. Add marshmallows and butter and stir to melt. Remove from heat; stir in 2 tablespoons heavy cream, extracts, and food coloring (if using); let cool to room temperature, about 1 hour.

STEP 2

Meanwhile, line a 9-inch square baking pan with parchment paper, leaving a 2-inch overhang on 2 sides. In a food processor, pulse cookies to form fine crumbs. Add butter and pulse to combine. Press evenly into bottom of the prepared pan and refrigerate.

STEP 3

Once marshmallow mixture is cool, using an electric mixer, beat remaining 1 cup cream until stiff peaks form. Fold a spoonful of cream into marshmallow mixture to loosen, then fold in remaining cream and spread on top of chilled crust. Refrigerate until set, at least 30 minutes.

STEP 4

Make topping: In small pot, heat cream on medium until hot but not boiling. Remove from heat and add chocolate; let sit 1 minute, then stir until melted and smooth. Spread evenly over filling and refrigerate until set, at least 30 minutes or up to a day. When ready to serve, use overhangs to transfer to a cutting board and cut into pieces.

PER SERVING 235 CALORIES, 18 G FAT (11 G SATURATED), 3 G PROTEIN, 95 MG SODIUM, 19 G CARB, 1 G Fiber

Original Irish Coffee



Ingredients

1 cup freshly brewed coffee

1 tablespoon brown sugar

1 jigger Irish Whiskey

(1 1/2 ounces or 3 tablespoons)

Heavy Cream, slightly whipped

Fill footed mug or a mug with hot water to preheat it, then empty. Pour piping hot coffee into warmed glass until it is about 3/4 full. Add the brown sugar and stir until completely dissolved. Blend in Irish whiskey. Top with a collar of the whipped heavy cream by pouring gently over back of spoon. Serve hot.



Madness 2024



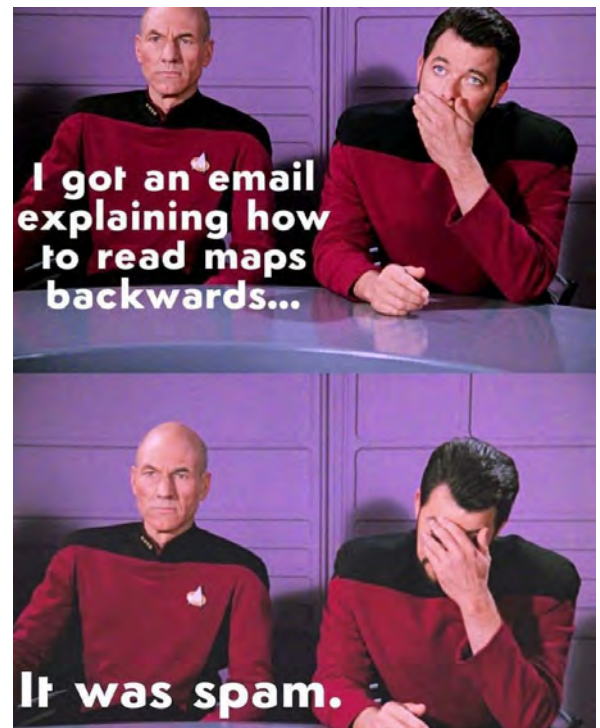
THE HORMONE GUIDE

SURVIVAL TIPS FOR MEN: HOW TO ASK A QUESTION TO A WOMAN

<div>DANGEROUS</div>	<div>SAFER</div>	<div>SAFEST</div>	<div>ULTRA SAFE</div>
What's for dinner?	Can I help you with dinner?	Where would you like to go for dinner?	Here, have some wine.
Are you wearing that?	You sure look good in brown!	WOW! Look at you!	Here, have some wine
What are you so worked up about?	Could we be overreacting?	Here's my paycheck.	Here, have some wine.
Should you be eating that?	You know, there are a lot of apples left.	Can I get you a piece of chocolate with that?	Here, have some wine.
What did you DO all day?	I hope you didn't over-do it today.	I've always loved you in that robe!	Here, have some wine.

To be completely honest, I'm not sure if the museum is open or not.





"I was going to bring back an Earthling, but I decided on something more fun."



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